

REMARKS

Applicants thank Examiner Coleman for her time and consideration of the above identified application during the telephonic interview with H. James Voeller.

Mr. Voeller proposed the attached amendment to the claims to clarify their meaning (and to not change their scope) as part of an amendment filed under 37 CFR 1.312, which does not change the scope of the claims. It appeared that an extra carriage return might have caused confusion regarding the meaning of R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup>, i.e., contrary to the specification, based on the previously presented claims in the Amendment filed August 31, 2010.

Examiner Coleman explained that the proposed amendment was not consistent with the prior art search she had performed, and that such an amendment would require further search and/or consideration. She requested that Applicants file a Request for Continued Examination so that she may update her search based on the intended definitions R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>x</sup>.

Accordingly, this amendment has been filed with an RCE, and the amendment is intended to place the application in condition for allowance.

Status of the Claims

Claim 1 is amended to clarify correct definitions of R<sup>3</sup>, R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>x</sup>, e.g., as explained in the paragraph beginning at line 15 of page 6 of the specification.

No new matter has been added by this amendment.

Claims 1, 2, 10, 22, 41-45, 49, 52, 55, 58, 61 and 73-86 remain pending.

Allowed Claims

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the allowance of claims 1, 2, 10, 22, 41-45, 49, 52, 55, 58, 61 and 73-86 as previously presented.

Conclusion

This application is believed to be in condition for allowance at the time of the next Official Action. Allowance and passage to issue on that basis is respectfully requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future submissions, to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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